total exports of Rifampicin during April—December, 1988 were of the order of Rs. 12.40 lakhs and major countries of exports are Philippines, Taiwan, West Germany, Thailand and Bangladesh. Since raw materials required for production of Rifampicin are on OGL their prices are not monitored. In the background of certain allegations of over invoicing in the import of penultimate intermediate, the sale price of Rifampicin bulk drug was reduced from Rs. 3,000 per Kg. to Rs. 2,500 per Kg. as some quantities of Rifampicin were imported by IDPL at US $ 145 per kg.

Government have constituted a Committee to look into the entire issue regarding Rifampicin pricing keeping in view the imported price of various intermediates.

उत्तर प्रदेश में मतदाता सूचियों का संशोधन

2535. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय:** क्या विधि और न्याय मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या उत्तर प्रदेश में मतदाता सूचियों में संशोधन करने का कार्य चल रहा है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस कार्य के कब तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है; और

(ग) 18 से 21 वर्ष के आयु-वर्ग के अनुमानतया कितने युवक-युवतियां मताधिकार प्राप्त करने के लिए पात्र होंगे ?

विधि और न्याय मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज) : (क) जी हां।

(ख) निर्वाचक नामावलियों का अंतिम रूप से प्रकाशन जून, 1989 में होने की संभावना है।

(ग) निर्वाचन आयोग का यह अनुमान है कि तारीख 1.4.1989 को, 18 से 21 वर्ष आयु-समूह के नए मतदाताओं की अनुमानित संख्या, प्रति निर्वाचन-क्षेत्र के मतदाताओं की विद्यमान संख्या की लगभग 11 प्रतिशत होगी।

Import of Cancer Drugs

2536. CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK:

DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that anti-Cancer drugs such as Vinblastine and Vincrestine are allowed for import in the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that these drugs are produced in the country from basic stages;

(c) whether it is also a fact that these drugs are exported to U.S.A., UK and other countries;

(d) if so, what was the quantity of each drug exported during the last two years, yearwise;

(e) whether it is also a fact that indigenous production can meet not only country's requirement but also can meet total world's requirement; and

(f) if so, what are the reasons for allowing imports by wasting valuable foreign exchange and thus destabilising indigenous industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) Import of anti-cancer drugs such as Vinblastine Sulphate injection and Vincristine Sulphate injection are allowed for import under OGL.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Export of drugs is allowed on decontrolled basis and without export licence. Particulars of imports & exports are published in the 'Monthly Statistics of Foreign Trade of India' Volume I & II, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. Latest issue of the publication pertains to 1985-86.